

# KIDS KRAZE

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
**Inclusive approach to recreation: All City of Bloomington Parks and Recreation programs are inclusive to people with and without disabilities. Please contact our Inclusive Recreation Coordinator for more details: Amy Shrake, CTRS, 812-349-3747 or shrakea@bloomington.in.gov.**



# KID CITY

## Summer Camps



Additional transportation provided by: 



**Session I:** July 27–31 • Register by 7/20

Camp	Grades 2015–2016 school year	Sessions	Times	Location	Weekly Cost/City	Weekly Cost/Non-City
Kid City Original	K–4	A–I	7:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m.	Allison-Jukebox Community Center	\$155	\$160
Kid City Quest	5–7	A–I	7:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m.	Allison-Jukebox Community Center	\$155	\$160

• Registrations are accepted by walk-in at the Parks and Recreation office or by mail at 401 N. Morton St., Ste. 250, Bloomington, IN 47404. If your child is already registered for camp, credit card payment can be made online, or over the phone at 349-3700.

# Break Days

Summer fun ...  
when school's out!

■ = Break Day!

Stay active during school breaks with Break Days presented by Bloomington Parks and Recreation and MCCSC.

Spend your break days hanging out with your friends, exploring the city and IU campus on field trips, staying physically active playing sports and games, and getting in touch with nature!

Break Days are inclusive, serving camp-ready children with and without disabilities. Scholarships for Break Days are available through the Bloomington Parks Foundation. The deadline to apply for Break Days scholarships is one week prior to the registration deadline. For more information about scholarships, call 812-349-3700 or e-mail [parke@bloomington.in.gov](mailto:parke@bloomington.in.gov).

**Binford Elementary School,  
2300 E. Second St.  
7:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m.  
Break Days are for students in grades K-6.**

**Registration fee is \$35/student/day, and includes all snacks, field trips, etc. for the entire day. Lunch is not provided.**

**Online registration is not available for Break Days. To register, visit [bloomington.in.gov/kidcity](http://bloomington.in.gov/kidcity) to download the registration and health forms. Register in person at the Bloomington Parks and Recreation office.**

**For more information, contact Amy Shrake at 812-349-3747 or e-mail [shrakea@bloomington.in.gov](mailto:shrakea@bloomington.in.gov).**



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## March 2015

S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
Register by 3/9.						
16	17	18	19	20		
School Resumes						

# children's expo



## Celebrating 30 Years

**NEW LOCATION!**

**Sunday, April 12**  
**1–4 p.m.**

**Bloomington/Monroe County  
Convention Center,  
302 S. College Ave.**

Now in its 30th year, the Children's Expo is a parent's treasure trove for informational, educational, and recreational resources for school-age children! The Bloomington Monroe County Convention Center is the new headquarters for the huge expo hall, which brings together child care providers, sports league coordinators, summer camp directors, education program leaders, health care providers, and many more to answer questions and become the go-to resource for healthy, active families.

The Expo continues to offer free health screenings, by qualified health care professionals, for children ages 10 years and younger.

Children's Expo is the kickoff event for the Week of the Young Child. For more information and a schedule for the Week of the Young Child, contact [sciaeyc@gmail.com](mailto:sciaeyc@gmail.com) or <http://secure.iaevc.org/support-get-involved/month-of-the-young-child>.



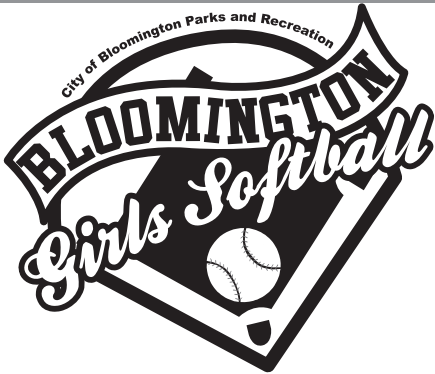
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WEEK of the YOUNG CHILD

**Register online at [bloomington.in.gov/parks](http://bloomington.in.gov/parks).**



Designed for the beginning through advanced player, this league focuses on responsible competition, including skill building and a complete understanding of the game. Several levels of play are offered, ranging from tee ball to fastpitch for players ages 4–15 yrs. Each player receives a full competition-quality uniform. This league is instructed and overseen by certified youth sports professionals, ensuring a quality experience for all players and parents. Players can play up, or in more than one league, with the approval of league commissioner. Please note special requests for team placements (e.g. on the same team as friends) on the registration form. We make every attempt to accommodate special requests.

Games are played mostly on weekdays with the possibility of some weekend games.  
Participants play one to two games a week with one practice per week.

**\$80/in-city, \$90/non-city • Days, dates, times, and locations TBD**

**For more information, contact Jeigh Hockersmith at 812-349-3774 or [hockersj@bloomington.in.gov](mailto:hockersj@bloomington.in.gov).**

Player's age as of Jan. 1, 2015	League:	Registration code:	Registration deadline:	Team placement/player assessment day at Twin Lakes Recreation Center* Wear comfortable clothes, non-metal cleats, and bring your gear.	Duration of league:
6 yrs. and under Born 2008–2010	Intro League Coach Pitch/Tee ball (6U)	17201-A	4/2	Saturday, April 4, 10–11 a.m.	4/11–7/17
8 yrs. and under Born 2006–2007	Mid-Minor League Coach Pitch (8U)	17201-B	4/2	Saturday, April 4, 11 a.m.–noon	4/11–7/17
10 yrs. and under Born 2004–2005	Minor League Player Pitch (10U)	17201-C	4/2	Saturday, April 4, noon–12:45 p.m.	4/11–7/17
12 yrs. and under Born 2002–2003	Mid-Major League Player Pitch (12U)	17201-D	4/2	Saturday, April 4, 12:45–1:30 p.m.	4/11–7/17
14 yrs. and under Born 2000–2001	Major League Player Pitch (14U)	17201-E	4/2	Saturday, April 4, 1:30–2:15 p.m.	4/11–7/17

\*Meet on the turf field. If you cannot attend during these times, contact Jeigh Hockersmith at 812-349-3774 or [hockersj@bloomington.in.gov](mailto:hockersj@bloomington.in.gov) to discuss your player's playing ability and/or a make-up time. The Twin Lakes Recreation Center is located at 1700 W. Bloomfield Rd.

### Coaches wanted!

**For more information about volunteering to coach, contact Special Services Coordinator Kim Ecenbarger at 812-349-3739.**

Selected coaches are strongly encouraged to attend the coaches meeting immediately following player evaluations at the Twin Lakes Recreation Center on Saturday, April 4. We will discuss rules, league placement, and practice progression/techniques. If you cannot attend, please contact Jeigh Hockersmith to go over information discussed at the meeting. All selected coaches must complete an annual online coaching certification course from either the National Youth Sports Coaches Association (NYSCA) or the Amateur Softball Association (ASA). The certification fee is \$20. Scholarships are available to offset expenses associated with the online training. For more information, contact Jeigh Hockersmith at 812-349-3774 or [hockersj@bloomington.in.gov](mailto:hockersj@bloomington.in.gov).

## — Experience — The Great Outdoors



**Children under age 12 yrs. must be accompanied by a registered adult.**

### Geodes Unearthed

Uncover the wonder of the popular and peculiar geological formations known as geodes on this hike along the trails at Griffy Lake Nature Preserve. Each participant will receive their own geode, and will have the opportunity to crack it open at the end of the program. Waterproof footwear is encouraged.

**Sa 3/14 • 1–2:30 p.m. • Register by 3/11 • 14001-A**

**\$7/in-city, \$8/non-city • For all ages.**

**Griffy Lake Nature Preserve, 3300 N. Headley Rd.**

### Indiana Frog and Toad Survey

As amphibian populations decline worldwide, long-term monitoring is critical to understanding and protecting these species. Become a citizen scientist by joining in a local frog and toad monitoring survey. Participants will learn the calls of Indiana's frogs and toads and then become part of a walking survey of the area. Data gathered will be used by Indiana's Amphibian Monitoring program.

**F 3/27 • 8:30–9:30 p.m. • Register by 3/20 • 14007-A**

**\$6/in-city, \$7/non-city • For all ages.**

**Griffy Lake Nature Preserve, 3300 N. Headley Rd.**

### Night Paddle

Experience an evening of peace and serenity on Griffy Lake during the full moon. Navigate the lake, take in deep breaths of fresh air and watch the night sky light up the water.

Registration is required. Watercraft, paddles, and life jackets are provided. Children under age 14 yrs. must be accompanied by a registered adult. Bring a flashlight to help you navigate back to your vehicle once you return to dry land.

**Sa 4/4 • 8–9:30 p.m. • Register by 4/2 • 14011-A**

**\$7/in-city, \$8/non-city • For all ages.**

**Griffy Lake Nature Preserve, 3300 N. Headley Rd.**

## Youth Tennis Lessons

Pick up a racquet and take spring tennis lessons.

Instructors are accomplished players and trained through the USTA curriculum. Typical student to teacher ratio is 5:1. For more information, call 349-3762.

**Beginner—For ages 5–8 yrs.**

**Tu, Th 5/5–5/28 • 5–5:45 p.m.**

**Register by 4/28 • 17001-C**

**Beginner—For ages 7–12 yrs.**

**M, W 5/4–5/27 • 5–5:45 p.m.**

**Register by 4/28 • 17001-A**

**Tu, Th 5/5–5/28 • 5:45–6:30 p.m.**

**Register by 4/28 • 17001-D**

**Intermediate—For ages 7–12 yrs.**

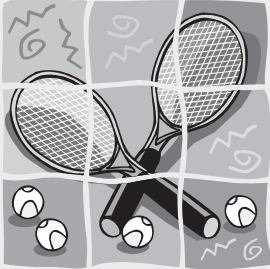
**M, W 5/4–5/27 • 5:45–6:30 p.m.**

**Register by 4/28 • 17001-B**

**\$38/in-city, \$46/non-city**

**Winslow Sports Complex, 2800 S. Highland Ave.**

**Lessons will not be held on 5/25; instructors will inform participants of the make-up date.**



### Play Tennis Throughout the City

Public play at Winslow Sports Complex, Bryan Park, Southeast Park, Park Ridge East, Sherwood Oaks, and RCA Community Park is permitted whenever courts are not being used by Bloomington Parks and Recreation. Available hours are posted at each site.

## Birthday Parties



### Twin Lakes Recreation Center

Rental includes tables, chairs, and use of the party room. For more information on booking a party, call 349-3720.

**\$40/hour for use of the party room only**

**\$60/hour includes use of one basketball court**

**\$75/hour includes use of Studio A or B**

**\$90/hour includes use of the turf**

**Register online at [bloomington.in.gov/parks](http://bloomington.in.gov/parks).**